



Frequently Asked Questions

Why is Tamassee changing its name? To better represent our programs and stakeholders today while honoring our historic mission.

Why did you choose Tamassee Hope Village as the new name? The proverb “it takes a village to raise a child” embodies Tamassee’s mission since our founding in 1919. We continue to be a community that empowers children to rise above challenging circumstances and realize the hope of a better life. Every stakeholder supports us to achieve this impact.

Will Tamassee’s programs change? Not at all! Tamassee’s programs continue to impact the lives of children and families! In 2025, we served 139 individuals across our educational and residential programs while seeing incredible outcomes. 100% of Early Learning students met all developmental benchmarks. 95% of Afterschool students improved in reading and math. 100% of Starlight moms remained sober, and graduates improved greatly in recovery, parenting, and life skills. Visit www.mytamassee.org to learn more.

Why does NSDAR want to formally separate from Tamassee? The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) ended its support after Tamassee closed its group home program (due to changes in the child welfare system in SC) and middle school academy in 2020 but before the launch of our Starlight community for mothers and children in recovery in 2022. Throughout this time, Tamassee continued to support childhood education through Early Learning, Afterschool, and Summer Camp. Tamassee requested NSDAR continue disbursing endowed funds they held for our benefit, and NSDAR generously agreed to transfer multiple trusts to Tamassee once our name change was complete. We will always remain deeply grateful for the DAR’s vision and legacy with Tamassee.

Do I need to update my estate plan with the new name? Tamassee Hope Village will keep the same IRS Employer Identification Number (57-6000973) as when we were Tamassee DAR School, so there is no need to change your estate plan.

Can DAR members, chapters, and societies still support Tamassee? Absolutely! The South Carolina State Society and numerous Daughters and Chapters continue to support Tamassee with their giving, volunteering, and prayers. We welcome all in our Village who believe in our mission.

How can I join Tamassee Hope Village? There are many great ways to be involved! Sign up for our newsletter, follow us on social media, and join our text Community. Enroll in or refer others to our transformative programs. Volunteer with Village students and families and donate to make hope a reality today. Visit www.mytamassee.org to learn more.